

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Is it okay if I am late for Mass?

Attending Mass on Sundays (or Sat. evening) is a precept of the Church; it is referred to as our Sunday obligation. It is part of how we observe the Commandment “To keep holy the Sabbath”, which for us is Sunday, the Lord’s Day. Our attendance at Sunday Mass is the most important event of one’s entire week, it will benefit you more for this life and for eternity than anything else. Every aspect of Sunday Mass is extremely important for us. If you are too late for Mass, you will not have fulfilled your Sunday obligation! If you are late due to some unforeseen incident, such as a car accident, you might have a legitimate excuse, but if you are consistently late, you are indicating that you don’t really value the Mass, or understand its importance. If you are too late for Mass, you will have missed some essential parts of the Mass, such as the penitential rite, and perhaps also the readings, and homily. This means that you will have failed to observe your Sunday obligation and are no longer in a state of grace and cannot receive Holy Communion until you have gone to confession.

Alpha

Interested in exploring the Christian faith or just want to understand your faith better?

Have questions about life, faith, or the Catholic Church? Alpha is a welcoming series where anyone can explore the Christian faith in a relaxed, friendly setting. Whether you’re considering becoming Catholic, returning to the Church, or simply curious to learn more, you are welcome. Alpha includes nine Tuesday evening weekly sessions and a retreat day on August 29.

Each session includes:

- Dinner and fellowship
- An engaging presentation on key aspects of life and faith
- Small-group discussion where you can share your thoughts and ask question

First Session: July 21 at 6:45 pm to 8:30 pm in St. Aidan Parish Hall.

We are also looking for volunteers and food sponsors to support Alpha.

For more information, to register, or to volunteer, please contact Edith Vasquez at 416-493-6608. Everyone is welcome - we look forward to seeing you!

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday July 11:

5:00 pm Ambrose
Hogg Family
Henri Lokwa & Family
Birthday Blessings for Wayne Wavryk
Birthday Blessings for Mary Kong
+Luke Jan Nigli
+Gerald & Patricia De Souza
+Stella Wong
+Margaret Chen
+Alexander Fajardo

Sunday July 12:

8:30am +Conception Piedade D’Costa

10:30 am +Juan, Rosario, Ceferino Joven

12:30 pm Pro-Populo

Monday July 13:

9:00 am +Alexander, Canute, Percy Mathias

Tuesday July 14:

9:00 am +Neville Pereira

Wednesday July 15:

7:30 pm Birthday Blessings for Maricar Tiam
Birthday Blessings for Ben Menezes
Living & Deceased Bishops, Priestys,
Nuns & Deacons
+Noreen Albuquerque
+Ronald De Lima
+Daniel Chun-Chun
+Leonard Manuel

Thursday July 16:

9:00 am +Guilmerma Rabena

Friday July 17:

9:30 am Celebrant’s Intentions

7:30 pm Angelica Rose D’Souza

Saturday July 18:

9:00 am Celebrant’s Intentions

July 12, 2026

Humanitarian Relief - Venezuela Earthquake

A devastating series of earthquakes struck north-central Venezuela on June 24, making it the country's largest seismic disaster in more than a century. As of June 29, official reports indicate more than 1,400 people have died, 3,000 people have been injured, thousands are reported missing, tens of thousands of families have been left homeless. If you wish to make a donation to aid humanitarian relief, you can make a cheque to "St. Aidan Church - Venezuela Earthquake", or online on the Archdiocesan website. Please continue to pray for all those affected by this tragic situation. Please use the envelopes marked Humanitarian Relief which are at the back of the church.

Get Involved - Become a Member!

The St. Aidan Conference of the Society of St. Vincent the Paul is holding a membership drive after all Masses on the weekend of Jul 18/19. Christ's powerful message in Matthew 25 reminds us that our true calling is to uplift the vulnerable: "Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you something to drink?... Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of my brothers, you did for Me." We invite you to channel your compassion into action by joining our mission. By sharing your unique time, talents, and resources, you can directly comfort those in need and walk closely in Jesus' footsteps. Please connect with our dedicated members in the foyer to discover how your hands and heart can make a lasting difference.

Patrician Meeting

The Legion of Mary invites everyone to attend their monthly Patrician Meeting which will be conducted on Saturday July 18, from 10:30 am to 12:30 pm. The meeting will be on the topic of "Why is Pride so Dangerous."

The purpose of a Patrician meeting is to enhance our knowledge and our ability to speak confidently and persuasively about our Catholic beliefs.

We invite our parish family to come and learn more about our Catholic faith, in a friendly and social atmosphere. Coffee and biscuits will be served.

ShareLife

Your gift to ShareLife transforms fear into peace

Matthew's mother, Anna, spent years lying awake at night, fearing for her son's future. Diagnosed with autism as a baby, Matthew's needs became more complex as he grew. She did everything she could to support him, but when his aggression became too difficult to manage, she made the heartbreaking decision to find community housing for him.

Through your generous heart, Matthew found Mary Centre, a Catholic Charities agency you support through ShareLife, where he is truly understood. From the moment he arrived, he was met with patience, kindness, and the care he needed to thrive. For the first time in years, Anna could finally breathe again. "I never thought I'd find a place where my son would be safe," Anna shares, "Now, I finally have peace." Your gift to ShareLife gives mothers peace of mind and a future filled with hope.

Thus far we have raised \$67,273.67 toward our goal of \$76,000. Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at sharelife.org/donate.

Volunteers Needed for Parish Library

The parish library needs volunteers so it can open consistently for 15-20 minutes after each weekend Mass. This will allow parishioners to browse through and borrow from our interesting selection of 600+ books and DVDs for kids, teens and adults.

Ideally, we'd like three volunteers per Mass with each of them scheduled on a rotating weekly basis. This will also ensure we have adequate coverage if someone is away.

If you can volunteer for this ministry, please email staidansparishlibrary@gmail.com or call Patricia Lobo at 416-895-4621 specifying how often you can volunteer and for which weekend Mass. Thank you

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Everyone can experience joy and blessings of generosity, because everyone has something to give. - Jan Grace